

Appendix table 1-18

Students ages 6 through 21 served under the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act, by type of disability: Academic years 1989/90 and 1998/99

Type of disability	1989/90		1998/99		Percent change
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
All disabilities.....	4,253,018	100.0	5,541,166	100.0	30.3
Specific learning disabilities.....	2,062,076	48.5	2,817,148	50.8	36.6
Speech or language impairments.....	974,256	22.9	1,074,548	19.4	10.3
Mental retardation.....	563,902	13.3	611,076	11.0	8.4
Serious emotional disturbance.....	381,639	9.0	463,262	8.4	21.4
Multiple disabilities.....	87,957	2.1	107,763	1.9	22.5
Hearing impairments.....	57,906	1.4	70,883	1.3	22.4
Orthopedic impairments.....	48,050	1.1	69,495	1.3	44.6
Other health impairments.....	52,733	1.2	220,831	4.0	318.7
Visual impairments.....	22,866	0.5	26,132	0.5	14.3
Autism.....	NA	NA	53,576	1.0	NA
Deaf-blindness.....	1,633	—	1,609	—	-1.5
Traumatic brain injury.....	NA	NA	12,933	0.2	NA
Developmental Delay.....	NA	NA	11,910	0.2	NA

— less than 0.05 percent

NA not available

NOTES: Data from 1989/90 include children with disabilities served under Chapter 1 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. Percentages may not total 100 because of rounding.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs, *Twenty-second Annual Report to Congress on the Implementation of the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act* (Washington, DC, 2000). <http://www.ed.gov/offices/OSERS/OSEP/Products/OSEP2000AnlRpt/>.